

(b) what is the action plan of Government to strengthen this porous border to control entry of illegal migration and smuggling?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The following steps are being taken to control entry of illegal migration and smuggling:

- (i) Round the clock surveillance of the border by carrying patrolling; laying nakas (border ambushes) and by deploying observation posts. Riverine segments of international Border are being dominated by deploying water craft of BSF water wing;
- (ii) Conduct of special operations;
- (iii) Upgradation of BSF Intelligence set up;
- (iv) Introduction of modern and high tech-Surveillance equipments;
- (v) Augmentation of strength for patrolling/ambush duties from Battalion Head Quarters;
- (vi) Construction of fence; 2370 km of fence has been constructed till 31st January, 2007, out of 3286 km sanctioned.

Terrorists arrested in the country

952. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of terrorist caught/arrested in Delhi and other parts of the country during the last one year, month-wise and State-wise;
- (b) whether it is a fact that to enter the Indian soil, such terrorists reach the capital of the country easily and no-where else along with arms, ammunition, RDX and other dangerous items;
- (c) if so, the quantity of arms, ammunitions, RDX and other dangerous items caught and the action taken against them, till now; and
- (d) what type of training shall be imparted to the State Police to catch such terrorists in the concerned States and when?

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) It is not correct to say that terrorists are able to reach Delhi easily and nowhere else. As per latest available reports, details of terrorists arrested during 2006 State-wise are given below:—

State	Delhi	Nagaland	Manipur	Mizoram
Terrorists Arrested	33	80	890	01
State	Assam	Tripura	Meghalaya	Arunchal Pradesh
Terrorists Arrested	321	46	51	17
State	Punjab	West Bengal	Jharkhand	Uttar Pradesh
Terrorists Arrested	42	37	255	32
State	Goa	Karnataka	Maharashtra	Andhra Pradesh
Terrorists Arrested	01	09	90	317
State	Jammu & Kashmir	Bihar	Chhattisgarh	Madhya Pradesh
Terrorists Arrested	429	257	286	08
State	Orissa	Kerala	Tamilnadu	
Terrorists Arrested	29	05	09	

(c) As per latest available reports, 2791 arms/weapons, 101423 ammunition/magazines/explosives/other dangerous items and 2002.65 kgs of explosive have been recovered from the various parts of the country during the year 2006.

(d) Training of police personnel is a continuous process. Training modules for the police personnel of State essentially focus on strengthening of intelligence gathering and sharing at the grassroots level, detection and disposal of IED/landmine/bombs, VIP security, handling of sophisticated weaponry/surveillance equipments, analysis of technical data, familiarization with techniques/modus *operandi* used by terrorists, etc.

Ceasefire with ULFA

953. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had declared ceasefire by way of suspending security forces' operations against ULFA, since 2005;

(b) if so, the details thereof, indicating reasons for suspension of action;

(c) whether Government had also held several rounds of talks with certain members of the civil society in Assam, as representatives of outlawed ULFA, with a view to restore peace in the State; and

(d) if so, the details of the talks so held and the current status thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (d) Three rounds of talks with People's Consultative Group (PCG) set up by United Liberation Front of Asom (ULFA) had been held on 26.10.2005, 7.2.2006 and 22.6.2006 respectively. Efforts with People's Consultative Group representatives for holding these talks were continued even after three rounds through mutual initiatives. Government had also declared unilateral Suspension of Operations (SoO) by Army against ULFA from 13.8.2006 to 20.9.2006 with a view to create a conducive atmosphere for holding of peace talks. Since there was no direct response from ULFA and reports were received of regrouping, hew raising, movement of stores/arms, violence and extortion by ULFA cadres, Counter Insurgency Operations against ULFA have been resumed.